per barrel converteld ino US currency of each of these transactions;

(b) which are the countries with whom Government have entered into contract to purchase crude oil during 1986-87 with quantity and the price per barrel converted into US currency of each of these transactions; and

(c) whether these rates are contracted for a total year or quantiy or from time to time depending upon the market rates prevailing at the time of shipment of each consignment by that country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MNISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI CHAN-DRA SHEKHAR SINGH): (a) A Statement is attached. (See below)

(b) During 1986-87 todate, no term contracts have been concluded with any country for purchase of crude oil.

(c) Does not arise.

Statement

Term contracts were signed with the following countries for the quantities and price as mentioned below for the purchase of crude oil during the year 1988.

Country	Quantity (Million Tonnes)	FOB Price (S/barrel
Iraq	2·5	28.0
Iran	2·0	27.60
Saudi Arabia	2·0	28.00
USSR	3·5	28.0 5
UAE	0·5	28.05
Oman	0·5	28.00
Algeria	0·5	Sold out in the marke
Nigeria	0·125	Swapped with PG Crude.
Total :	11·625	

Uri Hydro-Electric Project

926. SHRI GHULAM RASOOL MATTO; Will the Minister ofi ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the U^ Hydro-electric Project has been undertaken by Government during the Seventh Five Year Plan;

(b) what is the expected cost of the Project as at present envisaged and what is the allocation fixed for the Project for the year 1986-87; and

(c) by when the Project is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) It is proposed to take up Uri Hydroelectric Project for implementation during the 7th Plan.

(b) The project is expected to cost Rs. 712.07 crores (net) excluding Interest During Construction of Rs. 93.62 crores at Sept.'84 price level. A provision of Rs. 5.00 crores has been made for this project for the year 1986-87.

(c) The Project is scheduled to be completed in 7 years from the date of actual commencement of work after the investment decision is taken.

Rigged meters at petrol filling stations

929. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:

SHRI J. P. GOYAL:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during the recent checks on petrol filling stations in Djeihi, a large number of petrol filling stations were found having rigged meters;

(b) if so, what are the details there, of stating the extent to which a con-

sumer is duped by these filling stations; and

(c) what action has been taken by Government against the petrol filling stations found indulging in such malpractices?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR SINGH): (a) and (b) During a special checking drive launched by the Delhi Weights and Measures Wing of the Delhi Administration in the first week of April, 1986, 113 Petrol/Diesel Stations were checked and 35 stations out of them were found giving short delivery ranging from 20 ml to 150 ml in a measure of 5 litres.

(c) Legal action against the offenders has been initiated by the Weights & Measures Wing of the Delhi Administration.

Setting up refineries in joint sectors

930. SHRI SYED AHMED HASHMI; WiU the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any applications from private sector were invited and received till 24th October, 1985 for setting up of refineries in the joint sector;

(b) if so, the name's of the firms which applied;

(c) whether any decision has been taken in this regard; and

(d) if not, by when a decision in this regard is likely to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A Statement is enclosed (See below).

(c) and (d) The matter i» still under the consideration of Government.

Statement

Parties showing interest in the Joint Sector Refm/erie,*

1. B. D. Steels Castings Ltd.
2. Shell International
3. The Century Spinning & Mfg. Co. Ltd.
4. M/s. Zuari Agro Chemicals Limited.
5. National Engineering Company, Jaipur
6. M/s. Straw Products Ltd., New Delhi
7. M/s. Punj & Sons Ltd., New-Delhi
8. The Gwalior Rayon Silk Mfg. (Wvg). Co. Ltd.
9. Mr. Srichand P. Hinduja, UK
10. Golden Tobacco Company
11. M/s. Bajoria Agency Pvt. Ltd.
12. Gulf Consolidated Company
13. Essar Investments Ltd.
14. Larsen & Tubr0
15. Reliance Industries Ltd.
16. Indian Rayon Corporation
17. United Breweries Group
18. Krishna Steel Industries
19. Dr. B. K. Sinha (France).

Coal fields located In Orissa

931. SHRI JAGADISH JANI; Willi; the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to bring the various coal fields located in Orissa under the administrative control of one coal company;

(b) if so, the reasons for not implementing the above proposal so far; and

(c) the steps taken for the administrative reconstruction of various coal fields in the country?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) to (c) In view of the extensive geographical